



PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Whitsett, J.A.  
Appl. No. : 09/558,576  
Filed : April 26, 2000  
For : SURFACTANT PROTEIN D FOR THE PREVENTION AND  
DIAGNOSIS OF PULMONARY EMPHYSEMA  
Examiner : Holly Schnizer  
Group Art Unit : 1653

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 18, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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